

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action dated on July 19, 2005, and the references cited therewith.

Claims 3, 24, 28-38, and 44 are amended, claims 25 and 26 are canceled, and no claims are added; as a result, claims 2-24 and 27-44 are now pending in this application.

Claim Objections

Claims 24, 28-38, and 44 were objected to due to informalities. Applicant has amended the claims to overcome these objections.

§102 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 25-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Geannopoulos et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,075,832). Claims 25 and 26 have been cancelled. Applicant retains the right to pursue these claims in a separate application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-24 and 27-44 were allowed.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6909 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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